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# Environmental Concerns

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## **Light Pollution**

- Stray light will be controlled with the use of 'dark skies' reflectors, mounting lights on cranes to reduce site lighting needs
- BNSF will work with the Gardner Planning Commission on issues of lighting as part of the approval process

## **Noise pollution concerns**

- It is important to note that this is ***not*** a rail classification/switching yard. Therefore, coupling/decoupling noises would be ***uncommon*** at the Intermodal Facility
- The use of electrically powered wide-span cranes provides a very quiet container and trailer loading/unloading operation
- Truck traffic will be using new interchange minimizing traffic noise in Gardner
- Reduction of train whistles through town by elimination of at grade crossings

## **Number of Trains**

- There would be less trains passing through Gardner per day due to trains arriving from the West, unloading and returning to the coast
- Seven to ten 7,000-foot trains are expected to be arriving or departing the facility during a 24-hour period. By the year 2025, up to 30 trains per day

## **Air and Water Quality**

- All current and future EPA and State of Kansas protections apply to the development
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